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PETITION UNDER 28 USC § 2254 FOR WRIT OF
HABEAS CORPUS BY A PERSON IN STATE CUSTODY

United States District Court		District 1st
Name Joseph E. Dockham	Prisoner No. W-43918	Case No.
Place of Confinement Bay State Correctional Center P.O. Box 73 28 Clark St. Norfolk, MA 02056-0073		
Name of Petitioner (include name under which convicted) Joseph E. Dockham		Name of Respondent (authorized person having custody of petitioner) V. Michael Corsini <div style="font-size: 1.5em; margin-top: 5px;">05 11 05</div>
The Attorney General of the State of: Massachusetts		

MAGISTRATE JUDGE Bowler

PETITION

1. Name and location of court which entered the judgment of conviction under attack Norfolk Superior Court
Dedham Massachusetts
2. Date of judgment of conviction 06/11/1987
3. Length of sentence 20-25 years to be served all others concurrent with.
4. Nature of offense involved (all counts) (1) Rape of a child (2) R O C (4) R O C w F
(5) Child in nude (6) C in N (7) IND A&B (9) IND A&B (11) IND A&B
(12) ASSAULT TO RAPE
5. What was your plea? (Check one)

(a) Not guilty ☒
 (b) Guilty ☐
 (c) Nolo contendere ☐

If you entered a guilty plea to one count or indictment, and not a guilty plea to another count or indictment, give details:

6. If you pleaded not guilty, what kind of trial did you have? (Check one)

(a) Jury ☒
 (b) Judge only ☐
7. Did you testify at the trial?
Yes ☒ No ☐
8. Did you appeal from the judgment of conviction?
Yes ☒ No ☐

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9. If you did appeal, answer the following:

(a) Name of court SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

(b) Result Judgement affirmed

(c) Date of result and citation, if known 405 Mass 618 (1989)

(d) Grounds raised 1. violation of confrontation right, 2. Quality of videotape, 3. Lack of expert testimony on issue of emotional trauma, 4. Fresh complaint testimony ect. other issues also, no room to list.

(e) If you sought further review of the decision on appeal by a higher state court, please answer the following:

(1) Name of court _____

(2) Result _____

(3) Date of result and citation, if known _____

(4) Grounds raised _____

(f) If you filed a petition for certiorari in the United States Supreme Court, please answer the following with respect to each direct appeal:

(1) Name of court _____

(2) Result _____

(3) Date of result and citation, if known _____

(4) Grounds raised _____

10. Other than a direct appeal from the judgment of conviction and sentence, have you previously filed any petitions, applications, or motions with respect to this judgment in any court, state or federal?

Yes ☒ No ☐

11. If your answer to 10 was "yes," give the following information:

(a) (1) Name of court Norfolk Superior Court

(2) Nature of proceeding Motion for Post Conviction Relief (MRCP 30)

(3) Grounds raised Scientific basis for expert opinion, ineffective assistance of counsel

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(4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, application or motion?

Yes ☐ No ☒

(5) Result _____

(6) Date of result _____

(b) As to any second petition, application or motion give the same information:

(1) Name of court _____

(2) Nature of proceeding _____

(3) Grounds raised _____

(4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, application or motion?

Yes ☐ No ☐

(5) Result _____

(6) Date of result _____

(c) Did you appeal to the highest state court having jurisdiction the result of action taken on any petition, application or motion?

(1) First petition, etc. Yes ☒ No ☐(2) Second petition, etc. Yes ☐ No ☐(d) If you did *not* appeal from the adverse action on any petition, application or motion, explain briefly why you did not:

12. State *concisely* every ground on which you claim that you are being held unlawfully. Summarize *briefly* the *facts* supporting each ground. If necessary, you may attach pages stating additional grounds and *facts* supporting the same.

Caution: In order to proceed in the federal court, you must ordinarily first exhaust your available state court remedies as to each ground on which you request action by the federal court. If you fail to set forth all grounds in this petition, you may be barred from presenting additional grounds at a later date.

For your information, the following is a list of the most frequently raised grounds for relief in habeas corpus proceedings. Each statement preceded by a letter constitutes a separate ground for possible relief. You may raise any grounds which you may have other than those listed if you have exhausted your state court remedies with respect to them. However, *you should raise in this petition all available grounds* (relating to this conviction) on which you base your allegations that you are being held in custody unlawfully.

Do not check any of these listed grounds. If you select one or more of these grounds for relief, you must allege facts. The petition will be returned to you if you merely check (a) through (j) or any one of these grounds.

- (a) Conviction obtained by plea of guilty which was unlawfully induced or not made voluntarily with understanding of the nature of the charge and the consequences of the plea.
- (b) Conviction obtained by use of coerced confession.
- (c) Conviction obtained by use of evidence gained pursuant to an unconstitutional search and seizure.
- (d) Conviction obtained by use of evidence obtained pursuant to an unlawful arrest.
- (e) Conviction obtained by a violation of the privilege against self-incrimination.
- (f) Conviction obtained by the unconstitutional failure of the prosecution to disclose to the defendant evidence favorable to the defendant.
- (g) Conviction obtained by a violation of the protection against double jeopardy.
- (h) Conviction obtained by action of a grand or petit jury which was unconstitutionally selected and impaneled.
- (i) Denial of effective assistance of counsel.
- (h) Denial of right of appeal.

A. Ground one: INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL

Supporting FACTS (state *briefly* without citing cases or law) Counsel's failure to challenge scientific basis of expert opinion, lack of investigation and presentation of defense expert in field of childhood sexual abuse.

B. Ground two: WAIVER IN REGARDS TO RAISING CLAIM OF INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL

Supporting FACTS (state *briefly* without citing cases or law) State courts have continued to claim right has been waived, however the facts show that Ineffective assistance of counsel is unlikely to be raised by counsel toward oneself as is in present case. The state courts have agreed that in the case of a defendant being represented by same said counsel in trial and appeal would open for claim to be brought at earliest possible chance.

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C. Ground three: _____

Supporting FACTS (state *briefly* without citing cases or law) _____

D. Ground four: _____

Supporting FACTS (state *briefly* without citing cases or law) _____

13. If any of the grounds listed in 12A, B, C, and D were not previously presented in any other court, state or federal, state *briefly* what grounds were not so presented, and give your reasons for not presenting them: _____

14. Do you have any petition or appeal now pending in any court, either state or federal, as to the judgment under attack?

Yes ☐ No ☒

15. Give the name and address, if known, of each attorney who represented you in the following stages of judgment attacked herein:

(a) At preliminary hearing Stephen T. Cunningham, Esq 800 Hingham St.
2 North Rockland, MA 02370

(b) At arraignment and plea Same as above

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(c) At trial Stephen T. Cunningham, Esq 800 Hingham St. 2 North
Rockland, MA 02370

(d) At sentencing Same as above

(e) On appeal Same as above

Note: also on first Rule 30...

(f) In any post-conviction proceeding Deirdre L. Thurber, Esq 19 Bloody Pond Road
Plymouth, MA 02360

(g) On appeal from any adverse ruling in a post-conviction proceeding Same as above

16. Were you sentenced on more than one count of an indictment, or on more than one indictment, in the same court and the same time?

Yes ☒ No ☐

17. Do you have any future sentence to serve after you complete the sentence imposed by the judgment under attack?

Yes ☒ No ☐

(a) If so, give name and location of court which imposed sentence to be served in the future: Norfolk Superior
Court Dedham Massachusetts

(b) Give date and length of the above sentence: 20-25 years suspended attached to 5 years
probation (to follow current sentence)

(c) Have you filed, or do you contemplate filing, any petition attacking the judgment which imposed the sentence to be served in the future?

Yes ☐ No ☒ not currently

Wherefore, petitioner prays that the Court grant petitioner relief to which he may be entitled in this proceeding.

 Signature of Attorney (if any)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on

April 25 2005
 (date)


 Signature of Petitioner